COUNTY OF OAKLAND OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

MICHAEL J. BOUCHARD



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The Honorable David Law Michigan House of Representatives P.O. Box 30014 Lansing, MI 48909

Dear Representative Law:

I am writing in support of House Bill 5133, which is designed to prohibit the use of cell phones, while driving, by those with a temporary permit or levels 1 or 2 of a graduated license.

The importance of protecting Michigan drivers and roadways cannot be stressed enough particularly when it comes to our young drivers. HB 5133 provides one more safety checkpoint for those individuals who are just beginning to share our roads and highways. It encourages good driving habits while also emphasizing safety. Anything that distracts young and inexperienced drivers from focusing on their driving can have dangerous results. Clearly, using a cell phone while driving is one such distraction.

Thank you for your leadership on this important issue. Please feel free to let me know if I can be of assistance as HB 5133 makes its way through the legislative process.

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Sincerely,

Michael J. Bouchard
OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF